



Our Ref.: 410.016

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: :
THIBAUT et al :
PCT/FR97/02336 :
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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR QUALITY :
MANAGEMENT IN THERAPEUTIC :
PROCESSES :
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 3, line 1, cancel "one claims 1 or 2" and insert --claim
1--.

Claims 5 to 8, line 1 of each, claims 12 and 13, line 3 of
each, and claim 14, line 2, cancel "any one of the previous claims"
and insert --claim 1--.

REMARKS

The amendment is presented to conform the claim dependency to
the American practice. The Examiner should examine claims 1 to 14